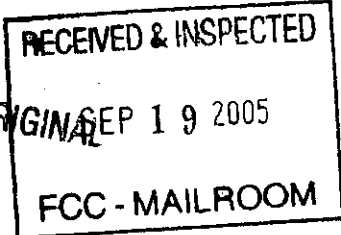


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Appeal, and request for Expedited Relief, to the Federal Communications
Commission on behalf of Hancock County School District

September 15, 2005

Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W. Suite TW-A204B
Washington, D.C. 20554

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(1) Funding Commitment Decision Letter Appealed

Form 471 Application Number: 459271
Funding Year 2005: 07/01/2005-06/30/2006
Billed Entity Number: 126720

Date of Funding Denial Notice: September 8, 2005
Date of Appeal: September 15, 2005

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(3) Funding Request Numbers Appealed

FRN -1330453

(4) SLD's Reason for Funding Denial of FRN -1330453

"This FRN is a request for a Telecommunications Service from a carrier that does not provide telecommunications on a common carriage basis."

- (5) There is no Federal Communications Requirement that "paging service" be provided by a telecommunications carrier on a common carriage basis.**

- a) Lattamus Communications, Inc., (Lattamus) the vendor, is a reseller of paging service. "Resellers offer service to consumers by purchasing airtime at wholesale rates from facilities-based providers and reselling it at retail prices. The Commission (FCC) does not actively regulate the resale of such services, only mandates that it be allowed to occur." Therefore, resellers, especially resellers of paging service, do not have to be common carriers that resell on a "common carriage basis."

<http://wireless.fcc.gov/services/paging/operations/resale.html>

- b) This means that there is no requirement that Lattamus provide telecommunications service on a common carriage basis.

Hancock is Requesting the Following Action by the FCC:

- (a) Within 90 days or less Order funding for the telecommunications services requested in the 471 Application, FRN -1330453**

- (b) Set aside funds to totally fund Hancock's request.**

Respectfully submitted,


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